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## Amendment and Response

This paper is respectfully submitted in response to an Office action, Paper No. 15, mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 9, 2003.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendment and passage of the claim to allowance.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows, without prejudice:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment and Response.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this Amendment and Response.